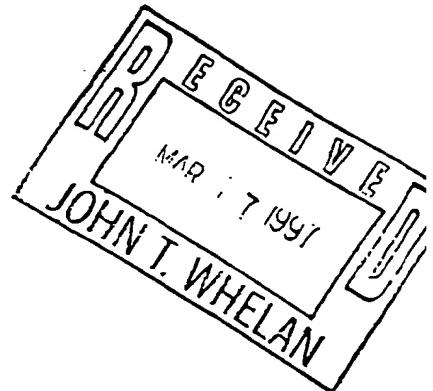


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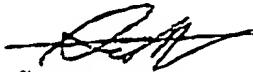
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Confirming my March 13, 1997 telephone message to you, we plan to send you a first draft of the above-identified patent application via facsimile on Friday, March 21, 1997. In order for us to finalize the application and forward it to John Whelan for filing by March 31, 1997, as he requested, we will then require your assistance in reviewing the application and providing us with your comments as quickly as possible. Of course, please call me if this schedule presents a problem for you.

I appreciate your assistance and look forward to working with you on this application.

Sincerely,



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